



FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SIERRA VISTA, ARIZONA

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Order of Worship

6th Sunday of Easter

May 10, 2026

~ GATHERING AND BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST ~

CHIMES

INTROIT: *“Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers”* #407 (vs 1 & 2) (Faith Choir)

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE AND GREETING

Christ is Risen! *“Christ is Risen Indeed!”*

PRELUDE: *“For God Is Love”* - Southbridge

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Come to worship, people of God, with praises on your lips.

We glorify the One who holds our hands when we slip.

Come into the presence of the One who calls us into this sacred space.

Where the doors to grace are thrown open so all may enter.

Come and hear the stories of the One who loves you.

We will tell of the joy and of the love, of the peace and of the hope which is ours.

* OPENING HYMN: *“I Love to Tell the Story”* - #462

* CALL TO CONFESSION

* **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

We admit, Knowing God, that from plastic cards to websites, from handheld devices to stock options, we are surrounded by a variety of gods who demand our worship. We can all too easily believe that work is our life, that wealth is the reason for our being, and that success is the very air we breathe. Forgive us, God of mercy. You are not found in a computer chip, but in the child who holds our hand. You are the Word that can transform our very lives. You are not a disembodied, constantly recalculating voice, but the One who calls us to life, through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. Amen.

~ Let us take a few moments for silent reflection. ~

* **THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Despite everything we do, God loves us. This grace is why we can dare to hope. We will witness to this hope in every word we speak to every person we meet. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven. Amen.

* **GLORIA PATRI: “Glory Be to the Father”**

*Glory be to the Father; and the Son, and the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world with out end. Amen.*

* **THE WELCOMING OF GUESTS**

We invite our guests to use the nametags in the attendance pads to identify themselves so that we may get to know each other.

* **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

May the peace of Christ be with you. ***And also with you.***

(You are invited to offer your neighbor a brief sign of peace.)

~ **HEARING THE WORD OF THE LORD** ~

ANTHEM: “*All of These*” - Curry (Faith Choir)

CHILDRENS TIME: Joanie Heiserman

The B-I-B-L-E, Yes, that’s the Book for me.

I stand alone on the Word of God: The B-I-B-L-E. (sing twice)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Living God, long ago, faithful women proclaimed the good news of Jesus' resurrection, and the world was changed forever. Teach us to keep faith with them, that our witness may be as bold, our love as deep, and our faith as true. Amen.

FIRST READING: 1 PETER 3:13-22

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word, *Thanks be to God.*

SECOND READING: JOHN 14:15-21

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word, *Thanks be to God.*

SERMON: "Love in Action"

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD: "The Apostles Creed"

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

~ CONGREGATIONAL LIFE ~

MINUTE FOR MISSION - Paul Lewis

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING OUR PRAYERS OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY: *“The Bond of Love”* - Skillings, arr. Bock

* **DOXOLOGY:** *“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”* - #609

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures high and low.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

* **PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF OUR OFFERINGS**

* **CLOSING HYMN:** *“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”* - #353

~ **TAKING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD** ~

* **BENEDICTION**

* **BENEDICTION RESPONSE:** *“Wings of a Dove”* - Ferguson

VERSE: ***When troubles surround us, when evils come,
The body grow weak; the spirit grows numb.
When these things beset us, He doesn't forget us.
He sends down His love on the wings of a dove.***

CHORUS: ***On the wings of a snow white dove,
He sends His pure sweet love,
A sign from above on the wings of a dove.***

* **POSTLUDE:** *“Love Lifted Me”* - Rowe & Smith